



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 13, 2002

H.R. 3307 **Vicksburg National Military Park Boundary Modification Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 22, 2002

H.R. 3307 would authorize the Department of the Interior to acquire an historic property, Pemberton's Headquarters, and an additional one acre of land (for a parking facility) in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Once acquired, the properties would be included within the boundary of the Vicksburg National Military Park and administered by the National Park Service (NPS).

CBO estimates that the cost of implementing H.R. 3307 would be \$4 million, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Of this amount, we estimate that less than \$1 million would be used to acquire Pemberton's Headquarters and the one-acre lot. The costs of restoring and interpreting the two properties and developing them for visitor use are uncertain because the NPS has not completed its planning and design process, but CBO estimates that such costs would probably be around \$3 million. Finally, we estimate that the costs to operate and maintain the house and lot would be about \$0.5 million annually. This estimate is based on information provided by the NPS.

The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 3307 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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